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Description: ff. 168 - Fifteenth century (?), France. An early resewing on three double, twisted, tawed skin supports laced into wide grooves in oak boards and pegged with rectangular or square pegs. Covered in brown sheepskin with corner tongues, blind-tooled with diagonals in an outer frame. Spine leather wanting. Leather on boards much worn. - Purchased from Lathrop C. Harper in 1956 by Thomas E. Marston. - Shailor, B. Catalogue of Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Marston MS 25.

Notes: -Manuscript on parchment (thick), composed of two distinct parts, of 1) Calendar-obituary giving the names of nuns, lay sisters, and benefactors of the Benedictine abbey of Notre-Dame de Saintes in Charente Inferieure in Southwestern France. The main body of this section dates from the fourteenth century, but was still being supplemented in the sixteenth century. 2) A version of the Usuard Martyrology; the body of the text written in the 12th century. 3) Rule of St. Benedict, feminine version.

Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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Language: Latin *Country:* France *Century:* 12th

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Part 1:

Description: - parchment - 250 x 198 mm.

Country: France

Region: Southwestern France

Assigned Date: [between 1100 and 1150, 1300-1600]

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Cardinal point:

City:

Searchable Date Range: 1100 - 1600

Inscribed Date:

Number of Scribes:

Script: Part I (ff. 1-46): Written in a variety of scripts ranging from gothic bookhand to batarde. Part II (ff. 47-168): Written in elegant late caroline/early gothic bookhand.

Notes: Part I: Initials, dates and headings in red. Part II: Two decorated initials, ff. 47r and 129r, 6-line, in red, green and blue. Decorative headings in brown ink touched with red and green, or red touched with blue. Small initials, 4- to 1-line in red, some with foliage scrolls in red or contrasting color. Headings in red. First part of the manuscript has been extensively patched and repaired. Binding: Fifteenth century (?), France. An early resewing on three double, twisted, tawed skin supports laced into wide grooves in oak boards and pegged with rectangular or square pegs. Covered in brown sheepskin with corner tongues, blind-tooled with diagonals in an outer frame. Spine leather wanting. Leather on boards much worn.

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1:

Title: Calendar; Martyrology; Benedictine Rule.

Subjects: Benedictines.; Benedictine nuns.; Christian martyrs.; Manuscripts, Medieval--Connecticut--New Haven.;

Monasticism and religious orders.;

Language(s): Latin